

youngster is a defensive phenom, and in recent games of the Whale spring schedule has been punching the ball resoundingly. He has only to hit in the neighborhood of .250 to be a sensation in the third league.

Zeider has recovered from his lame back and will be out of the game less frequently this season. Beck is as good at first as he was last year, and Jackson, his understudy, has improved 50 per cent. With Tinker in reserve, capable of hopping to it at three of infield positions in case of disability of any regular, the infield presents an appearance 20 per cent more powerful than in 1914.

The pitching staff, also, starts the season more efficient than last spring. Johnson was not here then; neither was Brown, and Brennan was useless. The star southpaw can start right from the bell now and do a big league job of pitching. Hendrix is ready to stage another iron man role, and Lange, a scintillating prospect during his first season, is due to take his place with the first flight.

Fischer has been secured to help Art Wilson with the catching. The ex-Dodger is a good mechanical ball-player.

It appears, therefore, that in every department the Whales have been bolstered up mechanically. There will also be an increase of team efficiency, as the men start with the benefit of a season's association with each other.

With two games against Kansas City, beginning today, followed by a dual engagement with St. Joseph of the Western league, the White Sox will wind up their spring schedule. In the quartet of battles Manager Rowland will have a final look at the real team which will represent the Sox in the American league race.

Buck Weaver is to do duty this afternoon beside Eddie Collins, and the star shortstop is strong enough to stand the pace. All he needs is a little active work to loosen up his muscles and sharpen his batting eye,

as it is likely he will be the top mar. in the batting order.

This depends on the disposition of Tommy Quinlan, now playing left field with the first team.

Jack Fournier was taken from the seconds today and there was an excellent prospect that the Frenchman would be given Quinlan's job. In that event he will be placed in the clean-up position in the batting onslaught and Weaver will be the first man to face the pitcher.

Within the next two or three days it is probable Rowland will make some reductions in the size of his staff. American association and Western league magnates have been hounding the Sox pilot for some of the surplus material. A few really good men are in the list, and Rowland wants to dispose of them to teams where they will get the best experience and improve in case they should be needed again by the White Sox.

Jim Scott will get his final workout today or tomorrow. Then the elk hunter will be saved for the opening battle at St. Louis. He has been conceded the honor because of his excellent condition.

Pitchers Schorr and Buckles and Catcher Tyree are to be let out by Manager Bresnahan of the Cubs. This was indicated when the leader called a conference of his athletes and gave them a long lecture on what would be expected of them during the coming season. The three men named were not included in the meeting.

Roger laid down some rules and his manner showed he meant what he said. They were simple and follow the course of the majority of managers. But few managers strictly enforce all their orders. In this Bresnahan says he will differ. Fellows who decline to run out soft grounders and pop flies will find themselves shy in the pay envelope, and all must keep in physical condition or be fined.

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